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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2015 2:23 PM
To: 'Judie Klapholz'
Subject: RE: Duke Energy Western Carolina Modernization Project

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Dear Ms. Klapholz,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your additional Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments has been placed in the Protest File of the Dockets listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

ND-2015-20-E - Duke Energy Carolinas: Foothills Transmission and Substation Project- 45-Mile Transmission Line Between Asheville, NC, Power Plant and New Substation Near Campobello, SC,

Docket No. 2015-305-E - Background Information Relevant to the Commission's August 27, 2015, Public Hearing on Duke Energy's Foothills Transmission and Substation Project - 45-Mile Transmission Line between Asheville, N.C., Power Plant and New Substation Near Campobello, S.C. and Information Stating That the Company Intends to File, in Late 2015 or Early 2016, an Application under the Utility Facility Siting and Environmental Protection Act (See Also ND-2015-20-E for Public Comments and Other Relevant Information) will be posted on our website under these dockets.

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
Administrative Coordinator
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From: Judie Klapholz [<mailto:>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 3:32 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Subject: Duke Energy Western Carolina Modernization Project

Dear South Carolina Public Utility Commissioners,

I am writing to you once again to voice my opposition to Duke Energy Western Carolina Modernization Project plan. The impacts and costs to our local communities are

unacceptable. As you know the massive transmission lines and substation Duke Energy is trying to forcibly impose will tarnish our views, lower our property values and hurt our tourism economies. The power station proposed for Lake Julian is too big and commits us to fossil fuels for decades to come.

This project, as originally proposed, has been designed to benefit Duke Energy's bottom line. Duke's customers will end up paying both through rate increases in energy bills and through long-term negative impacts on our economy and the destruction of the natural beauty of the entire area.

Duke Energy can do better and invest in high-energy efficient truly modern renewable energies and not double down on fossil fuels and mar our landscape with monstrous transmission lines.

Duke Energy is a state-regulated monopoly and you are our regulator. Duke Energy will announce the next version of their plan soon. I hope all our South Carolina Public Service Utility Commissioners will make sure that there will be meaningful opportunities for the communities that would be affected to voice our concerns in local, convenient and well-publicized meetings.

Sincerely,

Judie Klapholz, MPH

Campobello, SC 29322